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LAND FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schools that have not fulfilled the terms of allotment of land by DDA;

(b) whether show cause notices have been issued to all such schools; and

(c) if so the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)&(b): Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has reported that the Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD), (Education Department) forwarded to DDA a list of 93 schools for the academic session 2004-05 who were not providing freeship seats to children belonging to economically weaker sections. DDA issued show cause notices to these defaulters. The replies received from schools were sent by DDA to the GNCTD for verification and comments. GNCTD forwarded the list of 178 defaulters schools for academic session 2005-06. For academic session 2006-07 no list has been forwarded by GNCTD. No show cause notices were issued by DDA in respect of defaulter schools for academic session 2005-06 because in the meantime High Court of Delhi in CWP No. 3156/02 had ordered that serious defaulters whose freeship was less than 10% should be put on notice by the High Court Registry.

(c): In compliance of the directions of the High Court in Social Jurist Case in W.P. No. 3156 of 2002 GNCTD has issued a notification dated 25.1.2007 according to which management of the school which has been allotted land for such school by Govt. agencies shall provide free seats not less than 20% of the total seats in each class to the children belonging to economically weaker sections. Further, students against free seats shall get financial assistance at par with students of Govt. schools for expenditure on account of uniform and books. This notification has been challenged by schools and the matter is subjudioe.